

# SENATE BILL REPORT

## SB 6893

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As of December 11, 2010

**Title:** An act relating to suspending the child support pass through.

**Brief Description:** Suspending the child support pass through.

**Sponsors:** Senator Murray.

**Brief History:**

**Committee Activity:** Ways & Means: 12/11/10.

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### SENATE COMMITTEE ON WAYS & MEANS

**Staff:** Michael Bezanson (786-7449)

**Background:** As a condition of receiving Temporary Assistance for Needy Families (TANF) cash benefits, a family must assign its child support rights to the state during the months they receive TANF. Washington, under a state option in the federal Deficit Reduction Act (DRA), passes child support collections to the family up to \$100 per month for a family with one child or \$200 per month for a family with two or more children. This is known as the child support pass through.

If a state does not choose the child support pass through option, the amount collected is shared between the state and federal government.

**Summary of Bill:** The bill as referred to committee not considered.

**Summary of Bill (Proposed First Substitute):** Effective May 1, 2011, the child support pass through is suspended for all families. All rules to the contrary adopted before May 1, 2011, are without force and effect.

**Appropriation:** None.

**Fiscal Note:** Not Available.

**Committee/Commission/Task Force Created:** No.

**Effective Date:** The bill contains an emergency clause and takes effect May 1, 2011.

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